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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID, AEMR, CB, VS

SUBJECT: USE OF AIR-CHARTERED DC-8 RICE AIRLIFT FLIGHTS FOR  
PASSENGERS

FROM PHNOM PENH TO SAIGON

REF: PHNOM PENH 4289

1. RE PARA 5 REFTTEL, WE BELIEVE SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE WORKED OUT WITH THE GVN. WISH TO POINT OUT, HOWEVER, THAT VIETNAMESE HAVE JUST APPROACHED US (AND PERHAPS BY THIS TIME EMBASSY PHNOM PENH AS WELL) WITH A REQUEST THAT WE ASSIST IN EVACUATING ABOUT 600 VIETNAMESE NATIONALS FROM PHNOM PENH USING RICE AIRLIFT CHARTERED DC-8S ON RETURN TRIP TO TAN SON NHUT FOR THIS PURPOSE. THIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE THE GVN'S PRIORITY INTEREST AND THEY CAN BE EXPECTED TO PRESS IT.

2. ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE SOME PRACTICAL DIFFICULTIES IN USING RICE AIRLIFT DC-8S TO HAUL PASSENGERS WHICH WILL HAVE TO BE RESOLVED BEFORE THIS CAN BE DONE.

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